

Protection's Office of Air and Marine Operations the lead DHS agency to conduct airspace security around the Nation's Capitol and for special events of national significance; and **Pages H3485–87**

Thompson (MS) amendment (no. 12 printed in H. Rept 109–84) that was offered and subsequently withdrawn that sought to require the Secretary of DHS to report to Congress on how to coordinate and protect the various infrastructure in the area between Port Elizabeth and Newark International Airport, New Jersey. **Pages H3487–89**

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes in engrossment of the bill to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H3544**

H. Res. 283, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a recorded vote of 284 ayes to 124 noes, Roll No. 182, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 226 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 181. **Pages H3452–54**

House Democracy Assistance Commission—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members to the House Democracy Assistance Commission: Representatives Dreier (Chairman), Kolbe, Gillmor, Kirk, Boozman, Wilson (SC), Cole (OK), Miller (MI), and Fortenberry. **Page H3454**

Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein she appointed Representatives Price (NC) (Ranking Member), Reyes, Capps, Holt, Schiff, Davis (AL), and Schwartz (PA) to the House Democracy Assistance Commission. **Pages H3454–55**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and eight recorded votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H3453–54, H3454, H3536–37, H3537–38, H3538, H3538–39, H3539–40, H3542–43, and H3543. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY QUALITY OF LIFE—VA/ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2006; REVISED SUBALLOCATION OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2006

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for Fiscal Year 2006: Military Quality of Life, and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies appropriations; and the Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies.

The Committee approved the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2006.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 1815, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006.

SCHOOL READINESS ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 2123, School Readiness Act of 2005.

DRUG FREE SPORTS ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection held a hearing on H.R. 1862, Drug Free Sports Act. Testimony was heard from Frank Shorter, former Chairman, United States Anti-Doping Agency; Donald P. Garber, Commissioner, Major League Soccer; Robert Foose, Executive Director, Major League Soccer Players Union; Allan H. Selig, Commissioner, Major League Baseball; Donald Fehr, Executive Director, Major League Baseball Players Association; Gary Bettman, Commissioner, National Hockey League; Robert Goodenow, Executive Director, National Hockey League Players Association; David Stern, Commissioner, National Basketball Association; and William Hunter, Executive Director, National Basketball Players Association.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INCREASING GENERIC DRUG UTILIZATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Increasing Generic Drug Utilization: Saving Money for Patients." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ENHANCING DATA SECURITY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit held a hearing entitled "Enhancing Data Security: The Regulators' Perspective." Testimony was heard from Lydia B. Parnes, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, FTC; Sandra Thompson, Deputy Director, Division of Supervision and Consumer Protection, FDIC; and Robert M. Fenner, General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; KOSOVO: CURRENT AND FUTURE STATUS

Committee on International Relations: Approved a motion authorizing the Chairman to request that the following measures be considered under suspension of the rules: H. Con. Res. 44, Recognizing the historical significance of the Mexican holiday of Cinco de Mayo; H. Con. Res. 89, Honoring the life of Sister Dorothy Stang; H. Con. Res. 149, amended,

Recognizing the 57th anniversary of the independence of the State of Israel; H. Res. 191, Urging the Government of Romania to recognize its responsibilities to provide equitable, prompt, and fair restitution to all religious communities for property confiscated by the former Communist government in Romania; H. Res. 272, Recognizing the historic steps India and Palistan have taken toward achieving bilateral peace; H. Res. 273, amended, Urging the withdrawal of all Syrian forces from Lebanon, support for free and fair democratic elections in Lebanon, and the development of democratic institutions and safeguards to foster sovereign democratic rule in Lebanon; H. Res. 282, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding anti-Semitism at the United Nations; H. Con. Res. 153, Welcoming His Excellency Hamid Karzi, the President of Afghanistan, on the occasion of his visit to the United States in May 2005, and expressing support for a strong and enduring strategic partnership between the United States and Afghanistan.

The Committee also held a hearing on Kosovo: Current and Future Status. Testimony was heard from R. Nicholas Burns, Under Secretary, Political Affairs, Department of State; Mira R. Ricardel, Acting Assistant Secretary, International Security Policy, Department of Defense; Daniel P. Serwer, Vice-President and Director, Peace and Stability Operations, and Balkans Initiative, United States Institute of Peace; and public witnesses.

UN PEACEKEEPING REFORM

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations held a hearing on UN Peacekeeping Reform: Seeking Greater Accountability and Integrity. Testimony was heard from Philo L. Dibble, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Organization Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Middle East and Central Asia approved for full Committee action the following measures: H. Con. Res. 149, amended, Recognizing the 57th anniversary of the independence of the State of Israel; H. Res. 273, amended, Urging the withdrawal of all Syrian forces from Lebanon, support for free and fair democratic elections in Lebanon, and the development of democratic institutions and safeguards to foster sovereign democratic rule in Lebanon; H. Res. 282, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding anti-Semitism at the United Nations; and H. Con. Res. 153, Welcoming His Excellency Hamid Karzi, the President of Afghanistan, on the occasion of his visit to the United States in May

2005, and expressing support for a strong and enduring strategic partnership between the United States and Afghanistan.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 742, Occupational Safety and Health Employer Access to Justice Act of 2005; H.R. 2293, To provide special immigrant status for aliens as translators with the United States Armed Forces; and H.R. 744, Internet Spyware Prevention (I-SPY) Act of 2005.

The Committee also continued mark up of H.R. 800, Protection of Lawful Commerce on Arms Act.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following measures H.R. 38, Upper White Salmon Wild and Scenic Rivers Act; H.R. 125, amended, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct facilities to provide water for irrigation, municipal, domestic, military, and other uses from the Santa Margarita River, California; H.R. 362, amended, Ojito Wilderness Act; H.R. 394, amended, To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a boundary study to evaluate the significance of the Colonel James Barrett Farm in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the suitability and feasibility of its inclusion in the National Park System as apart of the Minute Man National Historical Park; H.R. 432, Betty Dick Residence Protection Act; H.R. 481, amended, Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2005; H.R. 517, Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Reauthorization Act of 2005; H.R. 539, amended, Caribbean National Forest Act of 2005; H.R. 599, amended, Federal Lands Restoration, Enhancement, Public Education, and Information Resources Act of 2005; H.R. 774, Rocky Mountain National Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 2005; H.R. 853, To remove certain restrictions on the Mammoth Community Water District's ability to use certain property acquired by that District from the United States; H.R. 873, Northern Marianas Delegate Act; H.R. 975, Trail Responsibility and Accountability for the Improvement of Lands Act; H.R. 1084, To authorize the establishment at Antietam National Battlefield of a memorial to the officers and enlisted men of the Fifth, Sixth, and Ninth New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry Regiments and the First New Hampshire Light Artillery Battery who fought in the Battle of Antietam on September 17, 1862; H.R. 1428, amended, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Reauthorization Act of 2005; H.R. 1492, amended, To provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II; H.R. 1797, Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation Grand Coulee Dam Equitable Compensation Settlement Act; H.R. 1905, Small Tracts Reform Act; H.R. 2130, Marine Mammal Protection Act Amendments of 2005; and H.R. 2362, National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act of 2005.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2006

Committee on Rules: Granted by voice vote, an open rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2361, a bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes. The rule provides for one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. Under the rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill), except as specified in the resolution. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

NANOTECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Research held a hearing on The National Nanotechnology Initiative: Review and Outlook. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following measures: H. Con. Res. 145, Expressing the sense of Congress in support of a national bike month and in appreciation of cyclists and others for promoting bicycle safety and the benefits of cycling; H. Res. 243, Recognizing the Coast Guard, the Coast Guard Auxiliary, and the National Safe Boating Council for their efforts to promote National Safe Boating Week; H.R. 624, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to authorize appropriations for sewer overflow control grants; H.R. 889, amended, Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2005; H.R. 1359, amended, To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to extend the pilot program for alternative water source projects; and H. Con. Res. 152, amended, Commemorating Mystic Seaport: the Museum of America and the Sea in recognition of its 75th year.

The Committee also approved GSA 3314(b) Resolutions.

TELEMEDICINE HEALTH CARE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held an oversight hearing on the use and development of telemedicine technologies in the De-

partment of Veterans Affairs health care system. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Adam W. Darkins, M.D., Chief Consultant, Office of Care Coordination; Ross D. Fletcher, M.D., Chief of Staff, VA Medical Center, Washington, DC, Linda Godleski, M.D., VHA Lead for Telemental Health, Office of Care Coordination, Associate Chief of Staff for Education, VA Health Care System, State of Connecticut; B. Christopher Frueh, Staff Psychologist, VA Medical Center, State of South Carolina; and Sydney Wertenberger, R.N., Associate Director, Patient Care Services, VA Medical Center, Poplar Bluff, Missouri; Carolyn Clancy, M.D., Director, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

PROTECT FOSTER CHILDREN ENROLLED IN CLINICAL TRIALS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on Protections for Foster Children Enrolled in Clinical Trials. Testimony was heard from Donald Young, M.D., Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services; Roberta Harris, Deputy Secretary, Department of Health and Family Services, State of Wisconsin; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to continue hearings to examine Regulation NMS designed to strengthen our national market system for equity securities, focusing on recent market developments, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider comprehensive energy legislation, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Endangered Species Act, 9:15 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to receive a closed briefing regarding weapons proliferation, terrorism and democracy in Iran, 9 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine weapons proliferation, terrorism and democracy in Iran, 10 a.m., SD-419.